**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**ABSTRACT**

Public Services - Health Medical &Family Welfare Department – Departmental Proceedings initiated against Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam for involvement in Criminal case in Cr.No.01/2024 on the allegations of sexual harassment – Written Statement of Deffence submitted - Further action dropped - Orders - Issued.

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**HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (VC.I) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.RT.No. 630** **Dated: 23-10-2024**

**Read the following:**

1. From the DME, AP, Vijayawada, e file with Computer No: 2354910.
2. G.O.Rt.No.209, HM&FW (VC.I) Department, dated:13.03.2024.
3. G.O.Rt.No.305, HM&FW(VC.I) Department, dated:18.04.2024.
4. Orders of Hon'ble APHC, Amaravati, in CRLP.No.193/2024, dated:09.05.2024
5. From the CO Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam, WSD, dated: 01-07-2024.
6. G.O.Rt.No.629, HM&FW (VC.I) Department, dated:22.10.2024.

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**ORDER:**

In the reference 1st read above, Director of Medical Education, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada has reported that Assistant Commissioner of Police, East Sub-Division, and Visakhapatnam City has stated that Dr. R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam has committed the offences of atrocity against minor Schedule Caste victim girl and FIR was registered and AO was arrested and produced him before II ACMM Court, Visakhapatnam. After verifying the records produced by the investigation officer, the Hon'ble Court released him on bail on the same day in Criminal case No1/2024. The ACP, Visakhapatnam City has requested to initiate disciplinary case against Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam in this matter.

2. In the G.O 2nd read above, Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam was placed under suspension pending enquiry as per the provisions of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, as he was involved in Criminal case in Cr.No.01/2024 u/s 342,509,109 IPC r/w 9(P) of POCSO Act - 2012 Sec.3(1) (w)(i), 3(2)(va), 3(1) (r)(s) of SC, ST (POA) Act-2015 r/w 34 IPC at Maharani Peta, PS, Visakhapatnam City for allegations of committing sexual harassment against minor Schedule Caste Girl.

3. In the G.O 3rd read above, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated by framing AOCs against Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam for committing the offences of atrocity, wrongful confinement and sexual assault against minor Schedule Caste victim girl Kum. Moyya Mounika D/o Rama Krishna who was working as part time receptionist in a private clinic.

4. In the representation 5th read above, Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam has furnished his WSD stating that the Honble High Court of Andhra Pradesh was pleased to allow his Petition CRLP 193/2024 and quashed the FIR 1/2024 of MR Peta Police Station, Visakhapatnam against him. He has requested to take cognizance of the said orders and revoke the suspension and reinstate him into the service.

5. In the G.O 6th read above, orders have been issued revoking the suspension of Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam.

6. Now, Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby drop further action against, Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam in this case, since the FIR is quashed.

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7. The Director of Medical Education, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall take further action in the matter.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**Dr MANJULA D HOSMANI**
**SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
Dr.R.Bhavani Shankar, Professor of Pediatrics, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam through the DME, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Director of Medical Education, AP, Vijayawada.
The ACP, East Sub-Division, Visakhapatnam City through the DME, AP, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (HFW&ME), A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Principal, Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam.
The PS to Secretary to Government, HM&FW Department,
SF/SC

**//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER**